PATENT IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Nicholas K. Hayward, et al.

Examiner: Unassigned

Serial No.: Unassigned

Art Unit: Unassigned

Filing Date: Herewith

Docket: 10441B

For: A NOVEL GROWTH FACTOR AND A

Date: July 17, 2001

GENETIC SEQUENCE ENCODING SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

- U.S. Patent No. 5,073,492 issued December 17, 1991 to Chen, et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,194,596 issued March 16, 1993 to Tischer, et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,219,739 published June 15, 1993 to Tischer, et al.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,338,671 published August 16, 1994 to Scalice, et al.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL"

"Express Mail" mailing label number: EL895322243US

Date of Deposit: July 17, 2001

I hereby certify that this New Patent Application and Fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

Dated: July 17, 2001

F:\work\536\10441B\amend\10441b.id1.doc

U.S. Patent No. 5,840,693 published November 24, 1998 to Eriksson, et al.

U.S. Patent No. 5,928,939 published July 27, 1999 to Eriksson, et al.

Adams, Mark D., et al., "Rapid cDNA sequencing (expressed sequence tags) from a directionally cloned human infant brain cDNA library", Nature Genetics, Vol. 4, August 1993, p. 373-380.

Breier, et al. (1992) "Expression of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor During Embryonic Angiogenesis and Endothelial Cell Differentiation", <u>Development 114</u>:521-532.

Ferrara, et al. (1991) "Purification and Cloning of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor Secreted by Pituitary Folliculostellate Cells", <u>Methods in Enzymology</u> 198:391-405.

Houck, et al. (1991) "The Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor Family:Identification of a Fourth Molecular Species and Characterization of Alternative Splicing of RNA", Mol. Endocrinology 5(12):1806-1814.

Keck, et al. (1989) "Vascular Permeability Factor, an Endothelial Cell mitogen Related to PDGF", <u>Science</u> <u>246</u>:1309-1312.

Lagercrantz, et al. (1996) "Expression of the VEGF-Related Factor Gene in Pre- and Postnatal Mouse", <u>Biochemical and Biophysical Research</u> Communications 220:147-152.

Leung, et al. (1989) "Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor is Secreted Angiogenic Mitogen", <u>Science</u> 246:1306-1309.

Lyttle, et al. (January 1994) "Homologs of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor are Encoded by the Poxvirus Orf Virus", <u>Journal of Virology</u> <u>68</u>(1):84-92.

Sharma, et al. (1995) "Nucleotide Sequence and Expression of the Porcine Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor", <u>Biochimica et Biophysica Acta 1260</u>:235-238.

Tischer, et al. (December 29, 1989) "Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor: A New Member of the Platelet-Derived Growth Factor Gene Family", Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications 165(3):1198-1206.

Tischer, et al. (June 25, 1991) "The Human Gene for Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor", <u>The Journal of Biological Chemistry</u> 266(18):11947-11954.

Weindel, et al. (March 31, 1992) "Aids-Associated Kaposi's Sarcoma Cells in Culture Express Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor", <u>Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications</u> 183(3):1167-1174.

International Publication No. WO 90/13649 published on November 15, 1990.

International Publication No. WO 95/24473 published on September 14, 1995.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) copies of the above listed publications are not provided, as the references were previously submitted to the Examiner in connection with the parent case, U.S. Serial No. 08/765,588 filed on February 22, 1996 (Int'l).

Consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested, since the information provided herewith may be material to the examination of the present application as defined under 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the issuance of a first Official Action, no fee or certification is due.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank S. DiGiglio Registration No. 31,346

SCULLY, SCOTT, MURPHY & PRESSER 400 Garden City Plaza Garden City, New York 11530 (516) 742-4343 PIB:bb